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QUOTED BELOW IS THE TEXT OF A MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT CARTER
FROM PRIMIN ECEVIT TO BE DELIVERED IN WASHINGTON BY THE
TURKISH EMBASSY:

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND
MESSAGE OF AUGUST 2.

I APPRECIATE THE STEPS TAKEN BY THE SENATE LAST
WEEK AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES YESTERDAY WHICH
WOULD OPEN THE WAY FOR RESTORATION AND REVITALIZATION OF THE
RELATIONSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN TURKEY AND THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA.

ALLOW ME TO THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, PARTICULARLY
FOR THE EFFORTS THAT YOU HAVE PERSONALLY EXERTED IN THIS DIRECTION--
EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN VITALLY EFFECTIVE IN OBTAINING POSITIVE
RESULTS.

WE HAVE, HOWEVER, CERTAIN RESERVATIONS CONCERNING
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SOME PARTS AND SOME OF THE WORDING OF BOTH TEXTS. I AM HOPEFUL
THAT, WITH YOUR PERSONAL CONTRIBUTION, THESE MAY BE ELIMINATED BY
THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

I AM PREPARED TO SEND TO WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY THE
SECRETARY GENERAL OF OUR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AMBASSADOR
SUKRU ELEKDAG, SO THAT HE CAN EXPOUND OUR CONCERNS IN DETAIL

TO YOUR COLLEAGUES.

HE WOULD WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY, DURING THIS
VISIT, ALSO TO DISCUSS MATTERS PERTAINING TO OUR ECONOMIC AND
DEFENSE COOPERATION.

I HOPE THAT WE MAY JOINTLY PAVE THE WAY IN THE
FORTHCOMING DAYS FOR A NEW STAGE IN TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS
IN THE INTEREST OF WORLD PEACE AND REGIONAL STABILITY AS WELL AS
OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

WITH HIGHEST REGARDS AND BEST WISHES, I REMAIN, MR.
PRESIDENT, SINCERELY YOURS, BULENT ECEVIT. END TEXT.
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